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U.S. Aircraft Score Heavily In NVN Fuel Center Strike

U.S. strike aircraft have inflicted heavy damage to the heart of North Vietnam's petroleum system, hitting major storage facilities and distribution apparatus at Hanoi and Haiphong and a smaller facility at Do Son.

Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara said the 46 Navy and Air Force aircraft directed attacks against military targets located outside built-up areas.

Pilots reported heavy damage in the Hanoi and Do Son areas and an estimated 80 percent destruction of the Haiphong target.

North Vietnam's remaining national capacity had been estimated at more than 20 percent in the Hanoi area and more than 40 percent in the Haiphong area. Haiphong was estimated to have handled 95 percent of all petroleum imports.

One U.S. F-105 was downed with pilots reporting light to heavy anti-aircraft fire. The heaviest encountered was around Hanoi. Enemy MIGs were encountered during an attack on a SAM site. One MIG-17 was reported as probably destroyed.

DOD Travelers Urged to Use U.S.-Owned Foreign Currency

In conformance with a government-wide memorandum from President Johnson the Defense Department is re-emphasizing "Use of United States-owned Foreign Currencies" by individuals traveling in overseas areas at Government expense.

A revision of DOD Instruction 7360.9 will include a copy of the President's memorandum explaining how the use of foreign currencies can assist in U.S. balance of payments.

The memorandum also notes that use of the currencies lowers total United States budget expenditures.

Official government travelers can, and should, President Johnson said, "Obtain the local currencies for payment of their local expenses from the disbursing officers in all of the 'excess' and 'near excess' currency countries." These countries are listed in the instruction.

MANAGEMENT AWARD—Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara receives the Taylor Key Award "for outstanding contributions to the advancement of the art and science of management as conceived by Frederick W. Taylor." The award was presented in Secretary McNamara's office by representatives of the Society for Advancement of Management, William H. Latham, far left, and William R. Divine.

Sec. McNamara Re-emphasizes Limited U.S. Aims in Vietnam

Following the June 29 attack on North Vietnam's major oil depots by U.S. aircraft, Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara re-emphasized that the United States' aims in Vietnam are limited.

He emphasized that every effort continues for talks at the peace table.

As for this country's objectives he reiterated the U.S. does not aim to destroy the government or people of North Vietnam, nor does it aim to provide a basis for South Vietnam to become a military ally of the West, nor does it seek use of South Vietnam for permanent military bases.

Secretary McNamara said the air strikes on major oil depots "were initiated to counter a mounting reliance by North Vietnam on the use of trucks and powered junks" for infiltration to the South.

He explained, "Every effort was made to prevent harm to civilians and to avoid destruction of non-military facilities."

He added, "The decision to strike these targets was made to restrict and make more costly the enemy's infiltration efforts."

Washington Memos

DAVID E. MCGIFFERT, Under Secretary of the Army, is visiting Far East installations. His itinerary includes Hawaii, Okinawa, Korea, Japan and Alaska, where he will confer with senior Army commanders and visit with troop units in the field. He is scheduled to return to Washington, D.C., July 8.

FIRST NUCLEAR POWER generator in space marked fifth anniversary June 29. Developed by AEC, generator has traveled about 724-million miles (more than 25,000 times around the earth) and continues to provide power aboard Navy's experimental navigational satellite 4-A. Satellite, launched June 29, 1961, from Cape Kennedy, became the oldest operating U.S. satellite in May 1964.

CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM of Cherokee Trail IX included parachute jump demonstrations for North Carolinians. More than 5,000 residents witnessed drops at Candor, Troy, Wadesboro and Carthage. Field training exercise represents end-of-course for students at U. S. Army Special Warfare School, Ft. Bragg, N. C.

BETWEEN JUMPS, MEN of 7th Special Forces Group displayed steerable parachute. Units of 82nd Airborne Division presented rifle squad demonstrations. Unit members represented "friendly" army during exercise.

MAYOR BLAGOJ POPOV of Skopje, Yugoslavia, visiting U.S., thanked Deputy Surgeon Gen. James T. McGibony, USA, for Army Medical Service assistance given to his city when it was devastated by an earthquake almost three years ago. Mayor Popov presented silver plaques bearing Skopje's coat of arms to key personnel of 8th Evacuation Hospital who figured in aiding city's disaster victims.

AIR NATIONAL GUARD marked 20th anniversary June 30. Guard's first unit was 120th Fighter Squadron, created at Denver, Colo., in 1946. Since then the reserve force has grown into a team of about 80,000 citizen-airmen.

U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY is first service academy invited to participate in Department of State College Summer Intern Program. Ensign John A. Orcutt, recipient of a Fulbright Scholarship, will study physics this fall in England. First Classmen Ronald J. Bliss and Richard W. Mies, candidates for Rhodes Scholarships, were also selected for program.

TRANSFER OF GOVERNORS ISLAND, in New York Harbor, from U.S. Army to U.S. Coast Guard June 30, gave Coast Guard its largest base in history. By next summer almost ten percent of entire service will be located on island. Planned consolidation of Coast Guard activities and training center at Groton, Conn., will be completed by then.

AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS Service at Scott AFB, Ill., and two subordinate commands named winners of National Safety Council's "Award of Honor," highest recognition given by Council for outstanding reductions in ground accidents. In addition to the command as a whole, top award also goes to European-African-Middle Eastern Communications Area, Lindsey Air Station, Germany, and Eastern Communications Region, Westover AFB, Mass.

ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF Fund Campaign for 1966 is underway, July 1 through Aug. 1, 1966.

RED BALL EXPRESS division of U.S. Army Aviation Materiel Command, formed last December to expedite procurement and delivery of urgently needed aircraft parts and support equipment to Vietnam, has achieved almost 95 percent effectiveness in meeting requisitions from that country, according to Brig. Gen. Howard F. Schiltz, commander.

TOTAL NUMERICAL STRENGTH of Armed Forces at end of May, based on preliminary reports, was 3,057,360, an increase of 53,027 from April. In May, Army had 1,184,527; Navy, 742,134; Marine Corps, 254,964, Air Force, 875,735. Figures represent full-time military personnel comprising both regulars and reserves on continuous active duty and officer candidates including cadets at Military and Air Academies and midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

HOLLYWOOD OVERSEAS COMMITTEE is sending USO show headed by George Jessel to Vietnam for 17 days beginning July 12. It will be Jessel's second tour of area. Also on bill are singer-dancer Diane Findlay, and accordionist Ron Richardello.

POSSIBLE FORERUNNER OF spacecraft radar probes of Venus and Mars has been successfully tested. Beams of 100,000-watt radar aboard Aerobee 150 rocket, 102 miles high, swept White Sands Missile Range, establishing feasibility of technique for sounding planet surfaces. Flight marked first time high-power radar had functioned in space, according to scientists conducting the NASA-sponsored project.

JAPANESE CHAMBER OF Commerce and Industry of Hawaii has commended 1st and 2nd Bns. of 27th Infantry and 1st Bn., 8th Artillery, for their continuing support of Holy Family Home, an orphanage in Osaka, Japan. Men of the units, all of which are now in RVN, began support of the orphanage in December, 1949.

SIXTY-FOURTH VOLUME in series, "United States Army in World War II," entitled "The Chemical Warfare Service: Chemicals in Combat," has been published. Copies are available from Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Wash., D.C. 20402 for $5.25.

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Background for Commanders

The United States and Africa*

There is in Africa today an increasing awareness that government must represent the true will of its citizens. Across the continent the majority of people prefer self-government with peril to subservience with serenity.

The government of the United States cannot condone the perpetuation of racial or political injustice anywhere in the world.

We support the efforts of the United Kingdom and the United Nations to restore legitimate government in Rhodesia. Only when this is accomplished can steps be taken to open the full power and responsibility of nationhood to all the people of Rhodesia—not just six percent of them.

The disruptive effects of current sanctions fall heavily upon Zambia. I have informed President Kenneth Kaunda that we will work with him in trying to meet the economic pressures to which his country is being subjected.

Working with others, we are prepared to help you build a modern Africa. I can think of many missions on which we can all work together.

1. Strengthening Regional Economic Activities

My country has offered the African Development Bank technical assistance for its organization and staffing, funds to finance surveys of project possibilities, and loan funds for capital projects. We are ready to assist the regional economic communities in East Africa and other parts of the continent through technical assistance and financing of capital projects which will help to integrate the various economic regions.

2. Increasing the Number of Trained Africans

We have been devoting a large part of our aid funds to Africa to education. This proportion will increase.

This year we are assisting in the development and staffing of 24 colleges and universities. We are financing graduate and undergraduate training for over 2,000 African students in the United States. Altogether, almost 7,000 African students are studying with us now. We are helping some 40 secondary and vocational training institutions in Africa. And we are aiding 21 teacher training institutions while also providing thousands of teachers, mostly through the Peace Corps.

We propose: to assist your effort to make certain African universities regional centers of training and professional excellence; to explore with your governments an African Student Program for deserving students to attend African universities.

3. Developing Effective Communications Systems

The United States has already financed several capital projects for communications links and facilities. We have provided technical assistance to communications services in a number of countries, and I have authorized new surveys looking to the widening of existing telecommunications.

Communication satellites offer a striking opportunity to make even greater advances. To use these effectively, ground stations must be built to bridge the continent. This Nation is prepared to assist in the establishment of these stations. We will examine the need for additional ground links.

Africa's great distances require more modern road, rail, and air links. The continent's great lakes and rivers could provide an enormous internal transport network.

Development of regional power grids, utilizing existing and growing generating capacity, offers an exciting possibility for regional cooperation and national growth.

Opportunities for investment are still largely untapped despite the fact that African countries have welcomed private enterprise.

Africa's farm production does not meet the nutritional needs of its fast growing population.

African territories may need special help in training their people and in strengthening their institutions as they move toward self-government.

We want to explore these and other ways to respond to African needs. Above all, we wish to respond in ways that will be guided by the vision of Africa itself, so that the principles we share—the principles which underlie the Charter of the Organization of African Unity—come to life in conformity with the culture and aspirations of the African peoples.

* *From remarks of the President at reception celebrating third anniversary of Organization of African Unity.*

Mail Order System Set Up For U.S. Marines in West Pac

A mail order program has been established that will enable U.S. Marines in the Western Pacific to purchase gift merchandise on a year around basis.

Named Operation Home Front, mail order purchases may be sent to designated recipients in the States, its territories or possessions, or to any APO or FPO.

Gen. Holloway Named AF Vice Chief of Staff

President Johnson has nominated Gen. Bruce K. Holloway to be Air Force Vice Chief of Staff, effective Aug. 1. Lt. Gen. Hewitt T. Wheless has been Acting Vice Chief since the death of Gen. William H. Blanchard May 31.

Gen. Holloway has been Commander in Chief, U.S. Air Forces in Europe and will be succeeded by Lt. Gen. Maurice A. Preston, presently Commander, U.S. Forces, Japan, and Commander, Fifth Air Force. Gen. Preston has been nominated for promotion.

The President also named Lt. Gen. Fred M. Dean as Vice Commander in Chief, U.S. Strike Command, a position Gen. Preston was originally scheduled to fill.

River Patrol Boats Operating in RVN

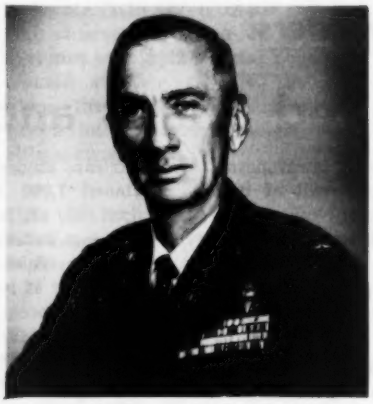
Navy's River Patrol Boat (PBR) inventory will reach 160 this month. Some have already been operating for several months in South Vietnam, conducting "Game Warden" patrols.

Mission and capabilities of the craft were discussed during an official Pentagon visit by RAdm. Norvell G. Ward, USN, Commander, Naval Forces Vietnam.

The PBRs patrol major delta rivers, primarily Mekong and Bassac, to a point near the Cambodian border, keeping them open to peaceful commerce and closed to Viet Cong.

The fiberglass-hulled craft can operate at 25 knots fully loaded. It is powered by two 220 h.p. diesel engines and propelled by two water-jet units. Absence of conventional propellors permits boat to operate in shallow water. PBR draws 12 to 18 inches while dead in water and about nine inches at top speed. Pumps direct water aft, providing jet propulsion and high maneuverability.

Armament consists of twin .50 caliber machine guns forward and a single .50 aft.



Gen. Bruce K. Holloway

AUSA's Marshall Medal Goes to President Truman

Harry S. Truman will receive Association of the U. S. Army's highest award, George Catlett Marshall Medal, at AUSA's annual Washington, D. C. meeting, Oct. 12.

The 33rd President of the United States was unanimous choice of AUSA's Council of Trustees. He was selected for selfless service to the nation.

Personnel Actions

RAdm Herbert H. Eighmy, USN (MC) former Asst. Chief, BuMed for Personnel and Professional Operations, assigned as Commanding Officer Navy Aviation Medical Center, Pensacola, Fla., relieving RAdm James L. Holland, USN (MC), whose assignment has not been announced. **Maj. Gen. Arthur C. Agan Jr., USAF,** Assistant Deputy CofS/Plans and Operations, Hdqtrs, USAF, reassigned as Vice CinC, USAFE, and appointed to grade of lieutenant general. **RAdm. Albert J. Carpenter, USCG,** formerly Commandant, Second CG District, St. Louis, Mo., assumed command of Eleventh CG District, San Pedro, Calif., June 30.

"Big E" Gets Big Welcome On Return from Vietnam

Nuclear carrier USS Enterprise received hero's welcome on return from Vietnam combat duty as cheering greeters lined Golden Gate Bridge while motor traffic backed up 12 miles.

Mayors of San Francisco, Oakland and Alameda proclaimed the day Enterprise Day. Observers considered the welcome the greatest since the cruiser San Francisco limped home during WW II.

The Enterprise moved on to her new home port, Naval Air Station, Alameda. There, cheering wives, children, relatives and friends joined with local officials to greet Capt. J. L. Holloway III and the "Big E" crew.

Welcome home messages included a 125-foot banner on the Golden Gate, an airborne banner towed by Navy aircraft in a two-squadron fly over, and various banners and posters identifying waiting families.

Armed Forces Optometrists To Get Higher Entry Grades

Qualified optometrists will enter service in temporary grade not less than first lieutenant in Army and Air Force and lieutenant (junior grade) in the Navy.

DOD policy was sent to service secretaries in a memorandum from Assistant Defense Secretary (Manpower) Thomas D. Morris, following DOD's March request to Selective Service System for July call of 100 optometrists.

The action also calls for immediate promotion of officers presently serving in lower grades.

Rep. Robert L. Leggett (D-Cal.), and other House Armed Services Committee members had urged DOD to specify the higher grade for optometrists.

July's call is the first for optometrists. The so-called 'doctor draft" had previously been limited to physicians, dentists, veterinarians and male nurses.

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